

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Ferguson, et al.	§ § § § § § § § § § §	Attorney Docket No. 31132.222 / PC1021.00  Customer No. 46333  Group Art Unit: 3733  Examiner: Comstock, David C.  Conf. No.: 8484
Application No.: 10/799,835		
Filed: March 12, 2004		
For: Technique and Instrumentation for Intervertebral Prosthesis Implantation		

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**  
**MAILED JULY 16, 2007**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner For Patents  
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**I. Introductory Remarks**

The present paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed July 16, 2007.

No fees, including extension of time fees, are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any fees are necessary, including extension of time fees, the extension of time is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

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